

PBDE Advisory Committee Meeting October 25, 2005



Meeting Overview

Ultimate goal:

Reduce exposure of Washington citizens to PBDEs.

Basic question – How can we best accomplish this goal?

Should we ban, take some other action(s), or take no action on the continued use of Deca-BDE in electronic enclosures and upholstery textiles?

Purpose of today:

- Present and discuss status/results of Ecology research
- Identify and discuss pros and cons of possible PBDE chemical Action Plan policy options.

Next step:

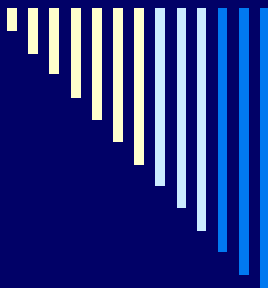
Ecology & Health staff will consider the various policy options in light of today's discussion. A preferred alternative will be determined and presented at the next meeting.



Today's agenda: What should we do about Deca-BDE?

What informs the decision?

1. Overview of available data:
 - a. Alternatives Assessment
 - b. Degradation studies
 - c. Cost Benefit Analysis
 - d. European Union decision and other factors
 2. Discussion of data presented:
 - a. findings
 - b. assumptions
 - c. data gaps
 - d. uncertainties
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Today's agenda: What should we do about Deca-BDE? (con't)

Policy options – in light of emerging science and other uncertainties

4. Brief review what we know/don't know.
 5. Presentation of PBDE Chemical Action Plan policy options.
 6. Discuss policy options, including any we might have missed.
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